



City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Celebrate International “Talk Like a Pirate Day” with the Gaithersburg Community Museum

Gaithersburg, MD (September 10, 2020) Ahoy, mateys! Join t' Museum for a special day o' pirate-y doin's as the Gaithersburg Community Museum celebrates [International Talk Like a Pirate Day](#) on Saturday, September 19. What started as some slang between a few racquetball buddies a couple of decades ago has become an international phenomenon. This year the pirate ship makes a virtual stop on the [Community Museum Facebook page](#), where you'll find an exciting line-up of free online programs and activities for all the pirates and pirates-in-training out there.

10 a.m. Make a Pirate Hook

Wha' happens when a crocodile snaps yer hand off? Ye be goin' t' needs a hook! Here's how t' make one. Supplies: a 16 oz. plastic or paper cup, one large piece of aluminum foil

10:30 a.m. Make an Eye Patch

Every pirate needs an eye patch! Supplies: a Styrofoam tray (like the ones used for meat and vegetables), ribbon, scissors

11:30 a.m. *Pirate Nell's Tale to Tell*

Helen Docherty will be LIVE from England, reading from her new book, *Pirate Nell's Tale to Tell*.

Books can be ordered [online](#) or purchased at your favorite bookstore.

Noon Cap'n Q

Cap'n Q (author Mary Quattlebaum) and crew will take you on a piratical literary adventure! For information on purchasing Cap'n Q's books click [here](#).

Throughout th' day pirates will be droppin' in wit' jokes t' amuse ye. In other words, look for video posts throughout the day of joke-telling pirates and articles about pirate history.

The Community Museum is now welcoming visitors by appointment only with one individual or family unit allowed inside at a time. Face masks are required at all times for guests over the age of two, and social

distancing will be enforced. To schedule an appointment, call 301-258-6160 or e-mail museum@gaithersburgmd.gov. Please be prepared to share the number guests in your party.

Located in the restored 1884 B&O Railroad Station complex near the intersection of Summit and Diamond Avenues in Olde Towne, the Gaithersburg Community Museum features educational exhibits and programs designed to spark interest and imagination about our City's history. Learn more [here](#).

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